on me by the present circumstances; but by means of the measures that will be laid before you by my Minister of Finance, I shall not have to impose any fresh burdens on my people.

21st. The Duke of Valmy writes that there are no scabbards at Mainz, and no frying-pans, no water-bottles, no boots, and no shirts; and that the few boots left in store at Wesel are very poor.

23d. I propose having my equipment on a smaller footing than in the last campaign. I want a much reduced staff, fewer cooks, less crockery, a smaller outfit, and all this not only to simplify matters but also by way of example. In the field each mess, even my own table, shall be served with one soup, one boiled dish, one roast and vegetables; no dessert. In the large cities each mess can do as it pleases.

26th. Patrols of Cossacks have appeared near Berlin; I am anxious as to what to-morrow's courier may bring; I suppose the Viceroy and Marshal Saint Cyr will have driven them off.

March 2d. The Duke of Treviso will reach Mainz OD the 12th, and Gotha on the 14th, where he will find the Imperial Guard. The Prince of the Moskowa will reach Frankfort on the 10th of March with the 1st corps of 60 battalions. The Bavarians are concentrating at Bamberg, Bayreuth, and Kronach; the Wiirtembergers, Hessians, and Badeners at Wtirzburg. The Viceroy is at Berlin.

(To Prince Eugene.) The corps of observation are on the move, 300,000 strong; the scene will soon change.

5th. (To Prince Eugene.) Hold Berlin as long as you can. Make examples to preserve order. At the least in-